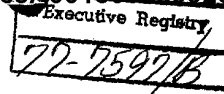


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*19 May 77*

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Dear Mr. Whelan:

Sincere thanks for sending me a copy of your study, "The Soviet Union and the Third World: A Watershed in Great Power Policy?" I have just now been able to review it and congratulate you and your colleague, Mr. Inglee, on a thorough, thoughtful piece of work.

It is always difficult to find a good assessment of policy including adequate background material in a reasonably short document. However, your study gives the busy reader a fine grasp of the essential influencing elements and well reasoned conclusions in less than 200 pages. I have found it very useful.

Thank you again.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Whelan:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your recent study, "The Soviet Union and the Third World: A Watershed in Great Power Policy?" The subject has particular importance and relevance now, in view of the ever-increasing interdependence of the world. I have forwarded it on to CIA analysts working in the field.

I appreciated your kind words about my article in Foreign Affairs. I hope that writings such as yours and mine may contribute to a clearer understanding by the Congress and the American people of the problems and possibilities that the United States confronts in dealing with the Soviet Union and the Third World.

Best wishes for your continuing endeavors in this vital field.

Sincerely,

/s/ Stansfield Turner

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Admiral Stanfield Turner, USN  
Director  
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Dear Sir:

I thought you might want a copy of the enclosed study, "The Soviet Union and the Third World: A Watershed in Great Power Policy?"

William Inglee, a young colleague, and I prepared it for the House International Relations Committee.

The study surveys selectively and in historical perspective certain aspects of the Soviet experience in the Third World. Purposes, means, and ends of Soviet policy are given special emphasis. The years 1975-76 are analyzed in some depth in an effort to suggest the direction of Soviet policy in the Third World for the present and near future. The study concludes with a commentary on the meaning of the Soviet effort in the Third World and an assessment of its implications for U.S. foreign policy.

Yours very truly,

*Joseph G. Whelan*  
Joseph G. Whelan  
Senior Specialist in  
International Affairs

*Your excellent article in Foreign Affairs  
was especially helpful in putting the  
naval problem in the Third World  
Perspective.*

*JGW*

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